BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

Become a certified teacher in 11 months

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AGENDA

**Presentation**
Short presentation on admissions to the Bachelor of Education program

**Q&A**
At the end of the presentation, please type your questions in the Q&A box. Questions will be answered in the order received.

**Follow up**
A recording of today’s online info session and presentation file will be shared afterwards.
BEd PROGRAM OPTIONS

ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE YEARS (UBC VANCOUVER)

- Elementary: Kindergarten to Grade 7
- Middle Years: Grades 6 to 8 (ages 11 to 14 years)

SECONDARY (UBC VANCOUVER)

- Grades 9 to 12

WEST KOOTENAY RURAL TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM (WKTEP)

- Elementary or Secondary

RURAL AND REMOTE PROGRAM

- Elementary/Middle Years
- 24 month program in rural/remote locations in BC, with in-person summers in Nelson, BC
- Note: not offered for a 2023 intake
11-MONTH BEd PROGRAM

COURSES ON CAMPUS

- Develop pedagogical knowledge
- Learn skills & strategies
- Work collaboratively
- Practice with colleagues
- Pass/Fail; no exams

PRACTICUM EXPERIENCES IN SCHOOLS

- 1-day per week
- 2-week experience
- 10-week experience
- Community Field Experience
APPLYING/ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS
DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

BACHELOR DEGREE

• Equivalent to a 4-year 120 credit UBC degree
  (1,560 hours in-class coursework)

• Can be from any accredited university or college
  (domestic and international)

• Can be in any discipline
COURSE REQUIREMENTS

✓ 6 credits of English or French literature and composition

Courses in English or French grammar, linguistics, creative writing, technical writing, business writing, philosophy, or communications do not meet this requirement.

Elementary & Middle Years:

✓ Lab Science, Math, Canadian HIST/GEOG, & Canadian Studies prerequisites
✓ 65% GPA (minimum) on the last 60 credits of relevant post-secondary coursework

Secondary:

✓ 30 credits in teachable subject area
✓ 65% GPA (minimum) on 18-24 senior level credits in subject areas

Visit teach.educ.ubc.ca/admissions/apply/academic-requirements/
COMPLETING COURSEWORK

• Applicants with courses in progress may still apply.

• Applications with degree and pre-requisite courses completed by January 15, 2023 are generally more competitive for admission.

• Proof of registration must be submitted for courses in-progress after January 15.

Final deadline for course completion: JUNE 30, 2023
EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS
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Why is experience evaluated?

What kinds of experience are relevant?
- Up to five education-related experiences
- Within five years (preferably within two years)

What are the minimum requirements?
- Minimum isn’t necessarily competitive!
- 50 hours should be from a single, continuous experience

Creating opportunities
- Finding experience, and making it count
MINIMUM EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

- Must have **100 hours of experience** working with age-appropriate groups of students and youth

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- Canadian public school classroom-based experience preferred
- Coaching, group tutoring, summer camps, youth groups, faith groups also acceptable
- International experience considered (but Canadian experience recommended)
- Up to 5 experiences (with contact info for verifiers) may be listed in application form
BEYOND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

• Go well above 100 hours!

• Focus also on quality of experience

• Work with a variety of groups – e.g., cultural diversity, different learning needs, various school districts, socioeconomic diversity, 2SLGBTQ+, etc.

• Take an opportunity to be a leader, rather than only providing support.

• If applicable, teach your subject area.

teach.educ.ubc.ca/admissions/apply/experience-requirements/
CREATING OPPORTUNITIES

✓ Find a school or learning centre, make contact with your resume, and say:
  “I am applying for a teacher education program and I am interested in learning what it takes to be a good teacher. May I support a teacher in your school?”

✓ Volunteer
  Take a look at organizations that work with youth

✓ Use your network
  Find a connection through your friends and family
PERSONAL PROFILE QUESTIONS

1. **Why do you want to be a teacher?** Maximum 1,500 characters

2. **Describe the kind of teacher you want to be.**
   
   Give examples. Maximum 1,500 characters

3. **Give an example from your experience which illustrates your suitability for the teaching profession.**

   For e.g., share a story of how you overcame a challenging situation, solved a problem in a professional manner, or learned from your mistake(s), etc.

   DO NOT REPEAT information already stated. Maximum 1,500 characters.

   teach.educ.ubc.ca/personal-profile
REFERENCES

TWO (2) professional references from appropriate individuals:

1. Must have experience working with youth or children.
2. Must have observed you working in group settings with age-appropriate students or youth.
3. Must be credible authorities who can speak competently about your experiences, interests, and abilities relevant to the teaching profession.

teach.educ.ubc.ca/references
REFERENCES

**Appropriate references:**
- School administrator (e.g., principal, vice-principal) who has observed you around age-appropriate groups of youth
- Teacher at an elementary or secondary school
- Camp director
- Daycare program coordinator

**Inappropriate references:**
- Family members
- Personal friends
- Non-education related employers
- Parent of a child whom applicant tutored privately
- University professor (who supervised TA work or did not observe around youth)
- Classroom teacher whose only relationship to you is as their student
REFERENCES

• Referees must not, at any point, disclose any parts of the reference report to the applicant.

• Applicants receive instructions in their application acknowledgement email.

• Applicants must input their referees’ contact information into a separate portal at the time of application.

• It is the applicant’s responsibility to follow up with their referees to ensure they have submitted their reports.

Submission deadline: JANUARY 15, 2023
ADMISSION ASSESSMENT

50% • Meeting all required courses for admission
     • Competitive admission average:
       must exceed 65% and be in competitive range (changes yearly)

50% • References (2)
     • Personal Profile
     • Experience
WHO CAN APPLY AS AN INDIGENOUS APPLICANT?

Anybody who self-identifies as a First Nations (Status or Non-Status Indian), Métis, or Inuit person of Canada is eligible to apply as an Indigenous applicant.

https://teach.educ.ubc.ca/admissions/indigenous-applicants/
POLICY LR7

Policy LR7 applies to students with disabilities who are engaged in a course, program or activity offered by the University.

Under the definition in the Policy, a “student” includes a person who is registered in credit or non-credit courses offered by the University, as well as a person who has formally applied to the University as a prospective student.
PRIVACY

IMPORTANT

• Details of your disability will not be disclosed to the TEO.
• Once you have applied to the Centre for Accessibility, the information you provide will remain confidential.
• The Centre for Accessibility will provide the Teacher Education Office with advice and recommendations for accommodations without breaking confidentiality.
THINGS TO KNOW

APPLYING FOR 2022/23

Applicants need to contact the Centre for Accessibility by January 15, 2023.

• Accommodation requests are kept confidential and are not shared with evaluators.
• Only pertains to evaluation process.
HOW DO I APPLY?

The UBC BEd application is online at apply.educationplannerbc.ca as of October 1, 2022, with a deadline of January 15, 2023.
APPLICATION DEADLINE:
JANUARY 15, 2023

• HOW TO APPLY
  teach.educ.ubc.ca/admissions/apply

• ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS
  teach.educ.ubc.ca/admissions/apply/academic-requirements/

• EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS
  teach.educ.ubc.ca/admissions/apply/experience-requirements/
QUESTIONS?

- ADMISSIONS CONTACT FORM: teach.educ.ubc.ca/contact/hello

- EMAIL: teacher.ed@ubc.ca

- SIGN UP FOR A WEBINAR WITH A DIFFERENT AREA OF FOCUS: teach.educ.ubc.ca/webinars